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10-Ama-124-R2.5/R10.3

B.O. 3/12/2015

Dear Mr. Berlier:

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The Office of Business and Economic Opportunity, Contract Evaluation Branch determined that WEI Industries does not provide hot mix asphalt as a regular part of its business function. Therefore, the dollar amount claimed for WEI Industries was not counted towards the Certified Small Business Listing for the Non-Small Business Preference goal of 25 percent pursuant to California Code of Regulations §1896.4(h) (I).

Caltrans finds that GRI's protest has merit and will proceed to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder.

If you have any questions, please contact Mulissa Smith, Contract Awards Branch Manager, at (916) 227-6228.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John C. McMillan".

JOHN C. McMILLAN

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